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1. I AVAILED MYSELF OF MEETING WITH MFA PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY EIGIL JORGENSEN DECEMBER 29 TO MAKE SOME OF THE POINTS SET FORTH IN REFTEL (A). SPECIFICALLY, I TRIED TO RECTIFY ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION OF FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN THAT AFRICANS ARE NOT BEING INFORMED ABOUT FUND (PARA 3 OF ANDERSEN'S LETTER TO SECRETARY TRANSMITTED TO DEPARTMENT AS REFERENCE (B)). ON BASIS OF DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE, I POINTED OUT THAT SIR IVOR RICHARD WILL BE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS OF DECEMBER AND FIRST PART OF JANUARY AND THAT HE IS LIKELY TO BE DISCUSSING THE FUND ALSO WITH THE FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS AND THE VARIOUS PARTIES IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. FURTHERMORE, I EXPLAINED THAT WE AMERICANS WERE ALSO BRIEFING THE FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS IN DAR-ES-SALAAM, MAPUTO AND LUSAKA AND THE VARIOUS NATIONALIST LEADERS.

2. JORGENSEN TOOK DETAILED NOTES ON MY PRESENTATION. HE
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OPINED THAT THIS ADDITIONAL BRIEFING WOULD HELP HIM TO REBUT DANISH CRITICS WHO HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT DENMARK CONTRIBUTING TO ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND WHEN SUBJECT COMES UP IN INTER-MINISTERIAL DISCUSSIONS NEXT MONTH.
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